REMARKS

The above amendment is responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed 9 May 2006.

Claims 1-5, 8-14, 18-25, 29-30, 34-41, 43, and 45 -53 are in the case, none as yet allowed.

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